

REMARKS

Status of the Claims

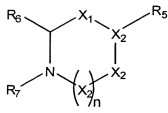
Claims 1-72 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter claimed therein. New claims 73-78, directed to the same invention as claims 34, 35, 36, and 37, and new claims 79-81, directed to the methods of using the products of claims 73-78, have been added. Support for new claims 73-81 can be found throughout the specification. Representative support is summarized in the table below:

Claim	Representative Support
73	Claim 35
74	Pages 10-12
75	Page 12
76	Page 12
77	Page 13
78, 81	Page 36, lines 29 and 30
79, 80	Page 36, lines 5-14

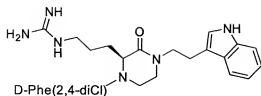
New claims 73-81 do not include prohibited new matter.

Response to the Restriction Requirement

It is Applicants' understanding that the Office Action has requested an election of one invention from Groups I, II, and III, an election of a molecular core ring structure for the compound encompassed by the elected invention, and an election of a species of peptidomimetics. Accordingly, Applicants elect the invention of Group II (claims 34, 35, 36, and 37 directed to peptidomimetics), the following molecular core ring structure:



and the following species:



Claims 73-78 replace claims 34, 35, 36, and 37, and claims 79-81 are directed to methods of using the products of claims 73-78. Currently, claims 73-81 are generic and read on the elected species.

It is also Applicants' understanding that the Examiner intends to begin by searching the elected species and will continue searching until art is found or until a generic claim directed to the molecular core ring structure is found allowable. In the event that Applicants' understanding is incorrect, Applicants reserve the right to traverse the restriction/species election requirement, once the Examiner's intent is clarified.

Conclusion

The foregoing amendments and remarks are being made to place the application in condition for allowance. Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments, reconsideration, and the timely allowance of the pending claims. A favorable action is awaited. Should an interview be helpful to further prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned.

If there are any additional fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-0310. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 not accounted for above, such an extension is requested and the fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

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